

THE Northwestern

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STUDENT OF THE MONTH

INTEGRITY

*Integrity is the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; moral uprightness.
It is generally a personal choice to uphold oneself to consistent moral and ethical standards.*



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Cooperative

"Working or acting together willingly for a common purpose or benefit"



NORTHWESTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL Students of the Month

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Two of Northwestern's Elementary 5th grade Academic Challenge teams competed on March 10th in Mansfield with 22 other teams. Our one team tied for 1st place and the other team came in 9th! Way to go 5th grade!



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**District Twitter Account
up and live!**

Log onto @NW_Schools
Live broadcast of events
[http://www.ustream.tv/
channel/sportslive14](http://www.ustream.tv/channel/sportslive14)



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A note from our superintendent...where do we go from here?!!!

With last July's national award attainment, so many opportunities, and the high quality and rigorous instruction we offer our students one might ask "where do we go from here?"

In answer to that question:

- We follow the roadmap of our recently updated 5-year Strategic Plan. Our mission to "prepare our students today for tomorrow's opportunities" has been unwavering. We remain grounded and student-centered. Our students are at the center of every decision we make!

- We continue self-analyzing through the "Continuous Improvement Process".

- We continue tracking the data and recalibrating our course through the feedback we receive. This includes performance data, tides and currents pulling and pushing us from the Ohio Dept. of Education, Federal Laws, as well as funding streams.

- We continue reviewing and studying trends and the latest research – again recalibrating our course as conditions allow.

- We continue improve through support for and ongoing investment in our Teachers and support staff. Our belief is that we demand the best new employees. This is why we have such a rigorous interview process. Following employment we invest in our people, in our "Human Capital", and we then treat people right and take care of them through rewards, communication, and the Husky tradition of family and emphasis on "family" and strong, trusting relationships.

- A final note: leadership matters! We are busting at the seams and so very blessed with great leaders - from individual employees at all levels to our building Principals, Directors, and Board Members!

Several major projects completed this school year:

- Marcs Emergency Radio System (in process and soon to be completed)
- Strategic Plan Update
- School and District Safety Plan updates to Homeland Security and Ohio Dept. of Education requirements
- Initial Agricultural Science Advisory Council Meeting
- Organizing and getting the Counseling Programs - paid for through the JFS Title XX Grant - off the ground and running
- Continued expansion and strengthening of our Career Pathways and Programs – We extended our career pathway Biomedical, Engineering, Clean-Renewable Energy, Computer Science, Robotics in to 7-12 grade programs! We also continue our Agri-Science programs 7-12 as well!
- Expanding career focus for students and the development of our 6-12 Gr. Career Plans.
- Expanding gifted services for our students
- Continued Authentic Learning & Project-Based Learning PBL professional development and instruction
- Expanding to a K-12 STEM District!
- Completing upgrades and repairs to our Elementary and Middle School HVAC Systems
- Our new website!

Grants:

- Blended Learning Grant will be funding 7th and 8th Gr. Middle School STEM/PBL Blended Learning units. The training will begin this June and carry through the fall of 2017.

- HSTW (High Schools That Work Grant) funding will allow us to expand this Battelle training to grades 6-12.

- Greenhouse & Clean-Renewable Energy: We will be working with Battelle and HSTW to submit a \$1,000,000 "Straight A Fund Grant" to not only expand our 6-12 Science PBL and STEM skills and knowledge, but this grant would be a collaborative with other adjacent rural schools so we can help them strengthen their programs as well– with Northwestern being the center and lead of the consortium. This grant would also provide a wind turbine, Geothermal System, and complete solar lighting system for our greenhouse project.

Current Initiatives:

- Potential Agricultural Science and Clean-Renewable Energy greenhouse project. We would love to have this constructed early next fall, 2016. We need more than \$50,000 in committed grant funds, donations and multiple foundation contributions before we can begin the project (we are in the process of writing two grants currently).

- Preschool Study: we have been meeting and are studying improvements and expansion of our preschool providers to expand preschool opportunities for those children with families of limited transportation and financial resources in order to improve Kindergarten preparedness.

The desire for a new initiative do not always result in enacting every initiative. One initiative that we researched as a 2015-2016SY pilot was the possibility of shifting our 5th grade to the 6-12 school day schedule. This change would have increased instructional time every day and eased the student transition from Elementary School to middle School.

Administrators and Teachers supported this pilot program. However, ultimately, while much time and energy also went into research, planning, putting together a possible schedule, holding a parent meeting, discussing the possibility with the Board of Education, reviewing feasibility of transportation, and surveying 4th grade parents we decided to not pursue this possibility at this time.

In essence, surveys indicated that this could well be a very divisive issue and some very emotional feedback indicated polarized feelings about this change. While our teachers and students do a fantastic job within the current structure, the increasing demands of state assessments, potential opportunities for additional student tutoring and supports, as well as increased enrichment time motivated us to study this possibility in the best interest of our students.

However, with Northwestern having so very many things going in an upward in a linear direction the last thing we need is a divisive change creating animosity between people. As a result, we are not pursuing this pilot program at this time.



District News

HEATING & COOLING, MECHANICAL, FACILITY NEEDS:

Our newest building is now 12 years old. Our MS and HS are much older. In some situations there have been mechanical and HVAC issues since their construction, in others motors and systems have simply worn-out and need updated or replaced. In addition, parking lots cost much more to maintain than in the past. Asphalt and sealcoating alone requires significant funding annually. Add replacing carpet, tile, and other infrastructure updates and replacement items, the increasing costs for these repairs, and one can easily see that eventually we need to increase revenue to pay for these needs to ensure our facilities remain safe, clean, usable, and efficient. Thanks to the community support through the levy passage we will have funds to continue needed updates as well as ongoing maintenance cycles for many of these needs.

We are proud of the excellent education we provide our students through community support, staff dedication, as well as our common sense approach and frugal school operation. Our dedicated teachers, strong leadership, and supportive community promote our continued excellence, innovation, and mission to “prepare our students today for tomorrow’s opportunities.”

I am always willing to listen to ideas, questions, and concerns from students, parents, and anyone in our community. It is only by asking, sharing, and participating that we can continue our important work. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason and “thank you” for your ongoing support!

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Under Construction – Our New Husky Website!

We are proud to announce that our new Northwestern website has been under construction since December!

We anticipate our new website going live May 1st, 2016!

We will not only have a fresh, new look with easier access to information and live feeds, but between May 1st – August 1st we anticipate loads of additional information to be created and added, including many printable forms!

FOLLOW US ON NORTHWESTERN TWITTER!

Please register for our Northwestern “Twitter” account!

Registration can be completed on our Northwestern website and by registering at the twitter address on the front page of this newsletter!

We initiated this account last October and have sent hundreds of tweets since!

We generally send 2 or more tweets per building per week.

There is a significant amount of research that indicates parents and community members are more likely to read brief one or two liners with a picture than lengthy posts, newsletter articles, etc. Northwestern wants to continue sharing the amazing things happening in our classrooms through every avenue possible!

Our area newspapers provide too little coverage for the many amazing things that our outstanding teachers do each day. While we do utilize the West Salem Messenger, WQKT, The Post Newspaper, our website, and our own “The Northwestern” newsletter it is time to make more ongoing and immediate newsbytes. The answer is regular twitter postings.

The elementary library received dona-

tions through the Donors Choose website to purchase materials to start a Makerspace. “Makerspaces provide hands-on, creative ways to encourage students to design, experiment, build and invent as they deeply engage in science, engineering and tinkering” Jennifer Cooper, Designing a School Makerspace (Edutopia).

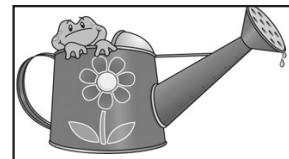
Some of the items received include K’Nex, Legos, a Sphero robot, and a Makey Makey. Students will have access to these items during their scheduled library time. The goal of the Makerspace is to give students time to expand on what they have learned in the classroom by using their imagination and creativity to build, invent and explore. From time to time the library will have challenges or contests that students can participate in as well.



2016 school year newsletter article and photo submission deadlines:

July 20

Note: Assume 14 days from each deadline as the delivery date.



Northwestern Middle School

“Paw Print” Articles

Northwestern Schools “Home of the Huskies”

Mrs. Geitgey bringing the books to NMS

By Bethany Rickey

How well do you know the new librarian, Mrs. Geitgey? Mrs. Geitgey used to work for Wayne County Children Services. Mrs. Geitgey came to NMS because she wanted a job that she can spend more time with her son Brandt. Brandt recently turned one.

In Mrs. Geitgey's free time she loves to spend time with her family, shop and read books. Mrs. Geitgey's favorite books are “We were Liars,” “Susan's Diary for Nicholas” and “I am Number Four” series.

Speaking of books the library has recently had a remodel. Now there are computers. Mrs. Geitgey thought the library was outdated. So she updated it. She got a new poster printer. Also Mrs. Geitgey got rid of a lot of old books that no one read and got a lot of new books.

The school had the remodel in mind but Mrs. Geitgey got to say her part too. Mrs. Geitgey's favorite thing about the renovations is the mural. She likes all the color it gives to the library. Rachel Sykes is the amazing artist that painted the mural. Mrs. Geitgey has gone to social media. She made the library an Instagram page. The name of the Instagram account is mrsgeitgeyreads.

Mrs. Geitgey is wanting to get new chairs, paint the shelves, and get new flooring. Mrs. Geitgey is getting rid of old books to make more room for new books. There are already a lot of new books this year. The students can't wait for more. Make sure the new books don't just sit there.

New, small but very important

By Rebecca Hall

At the middle school this year we have new students joining us from the Ida Sue Unit. This is the first year for this unit in the school. The Ida Sue Unit is a great addition to the middle school.

In the Ida Sue Unit there are six boys and five teachers. All of the teachers say they love to be with the boys and watch them learn. Miss Eggeman said she loves being with the kids and watching them learn and get excited about school.

The boys in the Ida Sue Unit all enjoy learning and having fun while they do. Matthew Ferguson said he likes recess and playing with ships made out of legos. Josh Pinkley said he likes playing on the computer and sensory.

All of the Ida Sue teachers love being with the boys. Miss Jaime said, “I enjoy learning all the kids' individual personalities and knowing what helps them get through the day successfully.” Mrs. Robbi Read said, “I like seeing the kids learning new things and seeing them feel good about themselves.” Miss Jo Jo says helping the students with their work is her favorite part about being a teacher. Mr. Darin said, “I like going to gym and playing with the boys.”

Mr. Brightbill said that he really enjoys having the Ida Sue Unit at the middle school and all of the boys are very energetic. He also said they are part of the middle school team.

Mr. Brightbill also said the Ida Sue Unit is absolutely good to have at our school and their staff fits right in and is great with the rest of the teachers. Mr. Brightbill said he would like to challenge all the students to get to know the boys in the Ida Sue Unit.

**EDUCATION
IS OUR PASSPORT
TO THE FUTURE, FOR
TOMORROW
BELONGS TO THE
PEOPLE WHO PREPARE
FOR IT TODAY.**



"Parents Who Host, Lose The Most: Don't be a party to teenage drinking"

Parents play a major role in their children's choices about alcohol, tobacco or other drugs. In a recent national survey of parents and teens by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, one-third of teen partygoers have been to parties where teens were drinking alcohol, smoking pot, or using cocaine, Ecstasy or prescription drugs while a parent was present. By age 17, nearly half (46 percent) of teens have been at such parties where parents were present.

Drug-Free Action Alliance has developed the **"Parents Who Host, Lose The Most: Don't be a party to teenage drinking"** public awareness campaign to provide parents with accurate information about the health risks of underage drinking and the legal consequences of providing alcohol to youth. The campaign encourages parents and the community to send a unified message at prom and graduation time that teen alcohol consumption is not acceptable. It is illegal, unsafe, and unhealthy for anyone under age 21 to drink alcohol.

Here are the facts:

- * Parents who give alcohol to their teen's friends under any circumstances, even in their own homes, are breaking the law.
- * Parents who knowingly allow a person under 21 to remain in their home or on their property while consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages can be prosecuted and everything associated with such a violation can be confiscated, including personal property.
- * Parents can be sued if they give alcohol to anyone under 21 and they in turn hurt someone, hurt themselves or damage property.

Underage use of alcohol is a serious problem that too often leads to harmful consequences for youth and their families. Parents can protect themselves and their teens by following these guidelines when hosting parties for their children:

- * Host safe, alcohol-free activities and events for youth during prom and graduation season
- * Refuse to supply alcohol to children or allow drinking in your home or on your property
- * Be at home when your teenager has a party
- * Make sure your teenager's friends do not bring alcohol into your home
- * Talk to other parents about not providing alcohol at youth events
- * Report underage drinking

More information about **"Parent Who Host, Lose The Most: Don't be a party to teenage drinking"** is available at www.DrugFreeActionAlliance.org



Elementary WINTER FUN!!



Northwestern District

KIDS EAT FREE!!

This summer, beginning June 7th and every Tuesday and Thursday for the remainder of the summer, the Northwestern Schools along with the West Salem branch of the Wayne County Library will provide a free lunch and activity. Lunch will be FREE to every student who participates and the time will be from 11:30 to 12:00 each Tuesday and Thursday. Plan to join us for a free lunch this summer.

- * No Registration
- * 18 or younger

(The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a USDA program offered through the Ohio Department of Education. The program provides free meals to low-income children during school vacations. Throughout the United States, more than 26 million children eat school lunch every day when school is in session.)



Northwestern All-Sports Association

Membership for 2016-17 (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017)

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday night of each month in the High School Library. All community members are welcome to attend.

The All-Sports Association provides many services for all the athletes at Northwestern.

All-Sports has contributed to the pavilion, concession stand and dugouts at the Elementary School. We have helped pay for uniforms, equipment, championship shirts and the athletic trainer as well as awarding \$6500 in Senior Academic Gifts. We need your support not just with membership, but with your involvement. Won't you please consider getting involved with All-Sports?

Your membership in the All-Sports Association will help us continue to provide support to ALL the Northwestern Husky Athletes.

Name: _____
(How you want it printed in newsletters and the Fall and Winter sports programs)

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Cost: \$ 5.00 – Per Individual

\$10.00 – Family Membership

(Please circle one)

\$25.00 – Silver Membership

\$50.00 – Gold Membership

You can give this form to any officer or mail it to: Denise Miller
9428 Finley Road
Wooster, OH 44691

Please make checks payable to Northwestern All-Sports Association

For questions - please call Megan Schwartz 330-201-1117

Are you interested in helping at the Concession Stands? ____ Yes ____ No

Are you interested in advertising in our Programs? ____ Yes ____ No

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**Tuesday,
May 10th
5pm-7pm**

**Every student
will have
artwork on
display.**

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**Mr. Mike
Burkholder
Northwestern
High School
Principal**

Hello from Northwestern High School,

This school year has really flown by! We are now involved in the high stakes end of course testing. The following courses have state tests that will be a factor in meeting graduation requirements: English 9 & 10, Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, American History and American Government. The state has shifted to a single end of course test, but it still has two parts. To give the impacted students the best opportunity to perform their best we will be on a late start on test days for the non-testing students. This will allow our testing students to be in a smaller group setting. We did have to shift the American History/Government tests from Tuesday March 19th and Wednesday March 20th to Tuesday May 3rd and Wednesday May 4th to deal with a test window issue. The other test dates and schedule adjustments are the same. We have the test dates and times on our High School calendar, which is assessable from the High School webpage. We are doing the best we can to find ways to deal with the impact of assessment delivery, while maintaining a structure that delivers the best education that we can provide to our students.

I understand that we will always have some element of state assessment as part of today's educational environment. Along with test scores the state is trying to measure and quantify many other aspects. Sometimes they don't get it right. To exemplify this one can look at the graduation rate data for Northwestern High School. Our district is treated differently, as we are a STEM designated school. The graduation rate that they have for our district for a four and five year average was way off because someone at ODE made the error of taking 14 students, who are open enrolled students, from the graduation total but left the 14 in as part of the student body.

The net result was a four and five year average that was significantly lower than our lowest graduation rate. I guess it would be a good thing if ODE got a grade on how they were doing at giving grades. In the end, we will analyze the data that is provided, but we will keep our focus on providing our students with the best possible educational experience with a focus on preparing them for future opportunities.

We are in the process of interviewing to fill open positions. We will be welcoming staff member Trish Moore to the high school as a split day Intervention Specialist. Trish is currently doing a great job on the Middle School staff and we are excited to have her on board. We will also be getting some help from our new Middle School Guidance Counselor, Rebecca Batey. Mat Schaefer has been hired as the Head Cross Country Coach, with Allison Reed serving as the Assistant Cross Country Coach. We are looking forward to seeing this program continue to grow and develop under their guidance.

We will be continuing the interview process for the following open positions: Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, High School Science, High School Health, High School tutor. Hiring the best possible candidate is something that we work hard at as it is crucial to our continued growth and success.

Our students did an exceptional job with their science fair projects at the local and district level. Many of our students received recognition and honors at the district level and will advance to the State Science Day in May. Congratulations and thank you to our students, families and staff that made this possible.

Schedule requests have been submitted and we will be looking to create next year's master schedule. We are very proud of the fact that we have been able to maintain an impressive array of curricular offerings. Dual credit offerings for next year include US History to 1877, Music Theory, English 12 DC (one class each semester for a total of six hours), English 11 DC, Literature Appreciation, Calculus and Animal Science and some other Ag Science classes. We are continuing to offer the capstone class in both the engineering and biomedicine curriculums – Engineering Design and Development and Biomedical Innovation.



If a student has completed the pre-requisite courses, these classes may be chosen as a yearlong alternative to their senior seminar class. Seniors may also choose to participate in an Internship as a means of meeting the senior seminar graduation requirement. We will continue to look for ways to expand our offerings and provide our students with quality and innovative course offerings. New course offerings at the High School for 2016-2017 include an additional semester Math class: College Algebra. In Fine Arts we are adding a Theater Arts II class. Clean Energy will have the second course in the pathway: Clean Energy Applications and we will be adding the entry year course in Computer Science, along with a focused Robotics class replacing Computer Networking. Family Consumer Science has some revised classes including Global Foods and Textiles and Interior Design. The Visual Arts curriculum has also been revised.

At present, we are planning to offer at least one summer course: Physical Education. We are also looking at providing some summer online course, with required seat time, to address credit recovery needs. Further information will soon be available in our guidance office.

As we move toward May we are looking toward many significant events. The largest of these events is the High School Graduation. On May 29th at 2:00, in the Northwestern High School gym, the class of 2016 will be receiving their diplomas. The Class of 2016 has lived up to the strong traditions of our school and community. I always look forward to the Senior Awards Assembly, as this is a time when we get to celebrate their successes and learn more about the recognitions and scholarships they have accumulated, as well as what their future plans are. Senior Awards will be Monday, May 23rd at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the high school gym or possibly in the theater. Please join us for this celebration, if your schedule allows.

Underclassman Awards will be held on Wednesday, May 4th at 7:30 a.m. This will be held in the gym. All parents and community members are invited to attend this event!

Important dates to note as we move toward the end of the school year:

- 5/2 Underclassman Awards @ 7:30 a.m.
- 5/4 Spring Band Concert @ 7:00 p.m.
- 5/9 Northwestern Ruritan Student Recognition Program
- Spring Choir Concert @ 7:00 p.m.
- 5/23 Senior Awards Assembly @ 7:00 p.m.
- 5/18 & 5/19 Senior Exams
- 5/25 Senior Graduation Practice @ 9:00 a.m.
- 5/26 Senior Graduation Practice @ 9:00 a.m.
- 5/24-5/26 Underclassman Final Exams
- 5/29 Graduation @ 2:00 p.m. – HS Gym

Note on exams:

Senior exams are scheduled by their teacher during the final two days. We will not be on an adjusted schedule.

Underclassmen exams will be as follows:

5/24 - Periods 1, 4, 6

5/25 - Periods 2,8,7

5/26 - Periods 3,5

The exam schedule will be:

Exam Period One : 7:25-8:45

Exam Period Two: 8:55 – 10:15

Exam Period Three: 10:25 – 11:45

Lunch: 11:55

Make Up or Rescheduled Exams: 12:40

The format for exams will be open. Students do not need to come in until their first exam each day and may leave after their final test each day. All classes, excluding study hall, will be having a final exam or culminating activity. If a student has an exam, study hall and then an additional exam they must stay the entire time.

If your child must be here the entire day, we will have supervised areas for study or for recreation. The buses will be running on their normal schedules. For the safety of your children, we ask that arrangements be made to pick up your child when his/her academic day is complete. Please do not have your child walk or ride a bicycle on State Route 301. If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact the high school at 419 846-3833 or you may contact me at nrws_burkhol@tccsa.net.



Twenty-five students from Northwestern High School have been putting their science knowledge to the test by competing in many of Ohio's science and engineering events. 5 students, Anna Martin, Grace Chupp, Weslea Arthur, Philip Eberly, and Steven Cozzuli created a STEM Commercialization plan to compete in the Believe in Ohio event and have advanced to the regional competition. In the second week of April these students will find out if they move on to compete at the state level in May. 20 students from Northwestern High School attended the Mohican District Science Day on Saturday March 21, 2015 at Ashland University. Seniors Jacelyn Alberts, Audra Gill, Emily Herbst, Kaci Way, Kierstyn Wood, Marshall Geiger, Brevin Shearer, Josh Melegari, James Volcansek, Kyle Hinton, Jesse Wurm, Kyle Merieter Juniors Bailey Adler, Reiley Murphy, Sophomores Emily Bouffard, Abigail Ford, Nick Hinton and Freshman Katherine Koontz, and Olivia Wakefield, all attended Saturday's event. Of those 20, Jacelyn Alberts, Audra Gill, Emily Herbst, Kaci Way, Kierstyn Wood, Marshall Geiger, Brevin Shearer, Josh Melegari, James Volcansek, Kyle Hinton, Jesse Wurm, Kyle Merieter, Bailey Adler, Emily Bouffard, Nick Hinton, Katherine Koontz, and Olivia Wakefield will all have the opportunity to advance to the State Science Day May 14, 2016 at Ohio State University. Also, junior Mary Baker, attended District 13 district science day at Mount Union College on March 5, 2016 and will be attending the State Science Day. In addition to the 19 state qualifiers, several special awards were also received by Northwestern High School students. The High School won the award for the highest number of superiors at the Senior High level and the highest percentage of superiors at the Senior High level. Audra Gill and Bailey Adler won the outstanding student with a paid entry to the State Science Day. The Governor's Thomas Edison Awards for Excellence in STEM Education went to Marshall Geiger, Brevin Shearer, and Josh Melegari. Wil Research cash award went to Brevin Shearer for Biochemistry (analytical). The Cleveland Metroparks zoo award went to Marshall Geiger. The following 6 students, Audra Gill, Kyle Hinton, Kaci Way, Marshall Geiger, Emily Bouffard, and Bailey Adler, also qualified for the Buckeye Science and Engineering Fair in Columbus, Ohio on Saturday April 2 and will compete to advance to the Intel International Science Fair. Congratulations to all Northwestern qualifiers on a job well done.



Northwestern High School Honor and Merit Roll

3rd Nine Weeks

2015-16



1ST HONORS (4.010-OVER)

Seniors: Jacelyn Alberts, Brent Bejcek, Katlyn Bing, Kayleigh Buchholz, Kyle Cayse, Crystal Dorsey, Deborah Eberly, Philip Eberly, Marshall Geiger, Audra Gill, Rachel Guidetti, Chloe Hagans, Courtney Hagans, Victoria Hall, Emily Herbst, Gabrielle Hiller, Kyle Hinton, Alexis Horst, Allison Jurenec, Nicolle Lamson, Andrew McCoy, Joshua Melegari, Shelby Miller, Jewelia Mowrer, Melody Qiu, Brevin Shearer, Jordan Sims, Rachel Sykes, James Volcansek, Rachel Walker, Kaci Way, Taliyah White, Kierstyn Wood

Juniors: Bailey Adler, David Agnes, Shelby Aulger, Mary Baker, Jacob Besancon, Jeshua Boggs, Micah Boggs, Travis Bower, Kyle Burgan, Macie Buzzard, Riley Carlson, Gabbrielle Cecil, Tyler Devore, Erin Gordon, Lindsey Gortner, Elizabeth Hartman, Sierra Kamps, Carley Kandel, Trevor Kline, Briana Lindeman, Jesse McCullough, Shelby McKay, Tyler Morr, Reiley Murphy, Savannah Pritt, Riley Rechnitzer, Brooke Rush, Ryan Schwartz, Katie Stull, Brock Thut, Sierra Vants, Charles Walker

Sophomores: Emily Bouffard, Steven Cozzuli, Garrett Dever, Sierra DuVall, Justin Ebert, Emily Finley, Tatum Franczek, Christie Franks, Sarah Fraser, Spencer Garrison, Quinten Garver, Lisa Hagenbuchner, Nicholas Hinton, Jonathan Hoff, Hannah Kardohely, Margaret Linder, Sera Martin, Kirsten Morr, Christopher Orosz, Jessica Preston, Joel Proben, Nicole Russell, Mykenzie Snyder, Hunter Stidham, Cody Tegtmeier, Amaya White, Mason Wilhelmy, Austen Wood, Kelseigh Wright

Freshmen: Mikayla Beegle, Carrie Boak, Trenton Boatner, Nicholas Burns, Tanner Carlson, Tyler Carlson, Grace Chupp, Skylar Dawson, Isaac Franks, Hannah Fricke, Mackenzi Gray, Raini Hershey, Courtney Hoff, Elizabeth Kanzeg, Nikolas King, Katherine Koontz, Elise Krajcik, Annabelle Martin, Cassandra Nutter, Benjamin Pollizi, Sydney Pollizi, Kaylee Reed, Kailey Schwartz, Kaitlyn Secrist, Brianna Shearer, Jadah Smith, Allison St. Clair, Olivia Wakefield

2ND HONORS (3.75-4.00)

Seniors: Chandler Dudte, Hunter Edwards, Frank Fiore, Emily Flinn, Shania Reed, Isaac Sadzewicz

Juniors: Ashley Dunn, Keaton Edwards, Sydney Harmon, Karri Pajarinen, Mackenzie Smith, Kyle Wharton

Sophomores: Chase Adkins, Aaron Eicher, Caleb Groves, Peyton Hendricks, Chase Lambert, David Miley, Tyler Riffle, Devin Smith, Parker Smith, Mia Tope, Devin Whisman, Nicole Winkler

Freshmen: Alexis Arnette, Jaimie Critzer, Emily Cromer, Kaylie Dye, Alora Hughes, Cody Morrow, McKenna Perry, Caleb Purdy

3RD HONORS (3.000-3.740)

Seniors: Bailey Allen, Jalynn Ball, Peyton Bebout, Anthony Brown, Austin Churby, Jared Garrison, Jordan Hostetler, Alexandria Johnson, Logan Malott, Cheyenne McElfresh, Kyle Mireiter, Kevin Rowland, Nathan Schwartz, John Secrist, Austin Slarb, Jesse Wurm

Juniors: Tristan Ammon, William Arthur, Zach Bauer, Matthew Boreman, Brittany Brown, Luke Chaffee, Marie Clements, Lene Goodman, Tyler Graham, Kourtney Kliner, Derek Koch, Cory Leighty, Summer Nairn, Brandon Reed, Bryce Rowland, Allison Ruegg, William Smith, Dylan Stoltz, Katelyn White

Sophomores: Isabella Adkison, Jared Alberts, Holli Asbury, Lindsey Asbury, Logan Asbury, Michael Campbell, Blair Colter, Madison Cook, Daniel Critzer, Thomas-Jay Cromer, Taylor Dawson, Maverick Duncan, Derick DuVall, Jr., Brandon Feist, Daniel Fernandez Rodriguez, Abigail Ford, Maria Fortune, Dylan Frybarger, Kaitlyn Gifford, Jordan Gilbert, Isabella Gill, Raine Glancy,

Nicolas Grassman, Cassandra Harnishfeger, Skyla Harp, Ariel Harper, Kennedy Hoffer, Jacob Hudson, Heidi Imhoff, Taylor Jackson, Hunter Kanzeg, Jared Leasure, Lucas McLellan, Chianne Neider, Michael Nutter, Nathaniel Oquendo, Isaiah Peterson, Matthew Pinkley, Rae Rempfer, Mary Rickey, Bryce Rush, Cortney Shelton, Robert Stinemetz, Hayden Tiliske, Alyssa Toppins, Louis Whitehouse, Megan Winkler, Brooke Wittman

Freshmen: Weslea Arthur, Aubrey Bodager, Gwynneth Casto, London Chaffee, Lindsay Ciolek, Avery Crumley, Peyton Edwards, Tristan Estep, Isabella Flickinger, Jacey Fulton, Jeffrey Guidetti, Alexis Hall, Tate Hixson, Nicholas Howman, Kolton Kliner, Cole Marley, Carter Melicant, Jessica Moats, Dakota Peterson, Alec Praisler, Richard Rasschaert, Joren Rickard, Camilo Rogers, Alexandra Rowe, Cael Rowland, Westley Schaad, Bethany Schaefer, Elizabeth Siders, Shane Smith, Silas Smith, Nathan Smithberger, April Strait, Jack Triplett, Claire Vaughan, Mallory Witucki, Joseph Wrege, Hailey Yarbour

NORTHWESTERN ALL SPORTS ASSOCIATION

Spring and summer sports are under way! If you have a child in summer softball and or baseball, please consider helping out in the concession stand. We host 2-4 games Sunday-Friday, so all help is appreciated. 2016-2017 memberships are now available. Please consider joining to help support our athletes from the elementary to the high school levels. Thanks again for all your support!

Good Luck to all of
our Spring Athletes!!



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Northwestern High School Yearbook Updates! YEARBOOK ORDERS

Time is running out to order your 2015-2016 NHS yearbook! Visit jostens.com to order by May 1st! Books will be delivered next September.

PARENTS/FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2015

Now is your chance to submit a message, a memory, a photo, or all of these things to be included in your senior's yearbook! Parental Displays of Affection (PDAs) will be published in the senior section of the 2015-16 yearbook. All ads will be in color. You may purchase a senior ad from now until May 2nd. Please see below for sample ads, ad sizes, and ad prices. Please make all checks for senior ads payable to Northwestern High School and write "Yearbook Senior Ad" in the check memo. Please email messages and photos to nrws_khudson@tccsa.net.

Senior Ads/PDA Prices

-1/8 page ad with one photo and a message (40 words max.)=\$25.00

-1/4 page ad with up to two photos and a message (90 words max.)=\$50.00

-1/2 page ad with up to three photos and message (120 words max.)=\$75.00

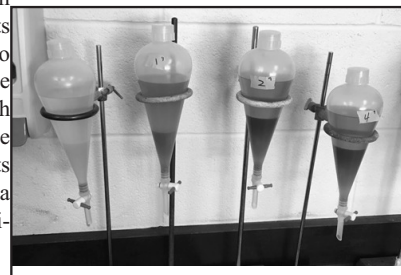
LOCAL BUSINESSES

The yearbook staff will be conducting its annual yearbook ad sales campaign this June. We look forward to stopping by your place of business to chat about this advertising opportunity. The only way we keep our yearbook costs manageable for our students is through the generosity of our local business advertisers, so THANK YOU! If you already know you would like to renew your ad from last year or submit a new ad order, please contact Kristen Hudson at nrws_khudson@tccsa.net for more information.



Northwestern High School Highlights!!

The Northwestern Clean Energy Systems Class made Biodiesel! Students spent an entire day making biodiesel from virgin oil (straight from a bottle) and then from waste oil. The waste oil was collected from businesses all over Wayne and Ashland County. Students asked businesses with fryers if they could have the oil that the businesses drain into the oil containers and pay to have hauled off. Students then did the chemical reactions and troubleshooting to make waste into something useful. The products of the reaction are glycerin and biodiesel. The glycerin, which can be used to make soap, sinks to the bottom and can be separated out so that the biodiesel is left. Then students could clean it and take it home to use. To the right is a picture of Tanner Carlson, Carrie Boak, and Trevor Ferri-man's biodiesel.



NORTHWESTERN STATE CHAMPION BASEBALL TEAMS



On **Monday, May 2, 2016** the Northwestern Local School District will be honoring the **1933 Congress state championship baseball team, the 1959 Northwestern state championship baseball team and the 1966 Northwestern state championship baseball team.** This event will coincide with our home varsity baseball game versus Smithville. The current scheduled start time for this game is 5 PM; the start time for the event (honoring each team) has not yet been determined. The game and event will take place at our home baseball field located on our main campus next to the middle school (former high school building). In the event that inclement weather affects the game, we will host the event in the high school gymnasium.

If you were a player or coach on one of these teams (or if you are a family member of a deceased player or coach) and are able to attend this event we ask that you RSVP. Please include the following:

- If you are a team member or coach attending, please send your name and the names of any family members joining you at this event.
- If you are representing a team member or coach who is deceased or unable to attend, please send the name of the team member/coach you are representing, your name and the names of any family members joining you at this event.

We are attempting to acquire contact information for every living member of these teams as well as contact information for family members of deceased team members. If you can provide contact information please send to the email address listed below-please provide names, phone numbers and email addresses of team members/coaches and/or their spouse, children or other family members.

Further information (through email or phone call) will be communicated which will include additional information regarding this event.

Please send all questions, information and RSVPs to Jason Mantell (assistant principal/athletic director): email: nrws_jmantell@tccsa.net or office phone: (419) 846-3833.



Mr. Joey Brightbill
Northwestern
Middle School
Principal

Education Message from Mr. Brightbill

Hello from Northwestern Middle School! As we head into the final stretch of the academic school year, it is important take a moment to celebrate the successes of the current year. We have won several athletic championships, implemented new teaching methods and strategies, presented at state and national conferences, supported positive student behavior and will be adding a few new staff members to our team at NMS.

On April 12, 2016, we will begin our journey with the AIR testing in grades 6-8 in the subjects of ELA, Social Studies, Science and Math. The students will be taking the AIR tests on a chromebook, we are asking that all other electronic devices are shut down during the school day so that they will not interfere with the wifi connection. Charted below are the tested subjects per grade level. For more information visit <http://oh.portal.airast.org/ocba/students-and-families/>

Grade Level:	Test:
6th	ELA, Social Studies, Math
7th	ELA and Math
8th	ELA, Science and Math

Students have returned their course requests and we have begun the scheduling process for next school year. We will look to enhance much of our course offerings by adding accelerated pathways in ELA, Math and 8th grade Science. We want to make sure that we are pushing all of our students to move at their pace and experience success, while being challenged to problem solve and work together.

We would like to extend a big welcome to our newest members of the "Huskies" Rebecca Batey and Bayley Craig. Rebecca will be our MS/HS, grades 6-9, guidance counselor, and Bayley will be a full time intervention specialists at the middle

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school. We are excited to have them on the team next year and they are looking forward to getting started!

It is important that we do not lose focus in this final grading period, academic grades following the students into the next school year for athletic eligibility. We need your help continuing to support education, as we close in on what we feel has been a successful year at NMS.

Best Regards,
Mr. Joey Brightbill
NMS Principal



Miyja Shank explains her "Robot" during robotics class as Mapleton Schools come to visit.

SCIENCE FAIR

On Saturday, March 19th, 18 students from NMS competed at the Mohican District Science Fair Day at Ashland University. The following students received an excellent rating, Jill Beun, Ari Borton, Sara Cassady, Brandon Casto, Deanna Devore, Brooke Frybarger, Joy Kindall, Kate Linder, Sarah Miller, Emily Reed and Briana Troyan. Earning superior ratings were Emma Boreman, Avery Garver, Morgan McCoy, Halie O'Loughlin, Macie Sexten, Emery Tullis and Haley Wilson. Congratulations to these students! We are so proud of you and accomplishments!



NMS Book Club



NORTHWESTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL

“ART IIN OUR SCHOOLS”

To celebrate the month of March as “Art in Our Schools” month, Northwestern Middle School participated in the Wayne County Junior High Art Exhibit. A reception at Wayne Center for the Arts was held on March 13, 2014 for participants and their families. The reception was hosted by Dr. Michelle Muro, Fine Arts Consultant for Tri-County Educational Service Center and the Junior High/Middle School Visual Art Teachers of Wayne County. This competition included all 7th and 8th grade students in Wayne County schools as well as Wooster City, Triway, and Orrville. Each school was allowed to submit 25 pieces of artwork. Students representing Northwestern Middle were 8th graders: Kelseigh Wright, Tyler Ewing, Brianna Smith, Megan Winkler, Abby Ford, Christie Franks, Emily Bouffard, Cortney Shelton, Chris Orosz, Katie Gifford, Lyndsey Chanay, Taylor Jackson, Adrianna Booth, Mia Tope, and Amaya White. Entrants from the 7th grade were: Mikayla Beegle, Jacey Fulton, and Gwynn Casto. Of these students, Tyler Ewing placed third and Kelseigh Wright received Honorable Mention in the Color Drawing category. In the Printmaking category, Kelseigh Wright earned second place and Cortney Shelton received Honorable Mention. Congratulations to all participants for their hard work.



Students attending the Wayne County Junior High Art Exhibit reception are (Left to Right) seventh graders Mikayla Beegle and Gwynn Casto, eighth graders Emily Bouffard, Katie Gifford, Adrianna Booth, Amaya White, and Cortney Shelton.

TECH TEAM



This year's Northwestern Middle School Tech Team members are (front row left) Steven Widows, Gavin Witucki, Joy Kindall, Margaret McCullough, and Josh Long. Second row: Hannah Dickson, Cooper Stephens, Kyle Moser, and Ethan Miller. Third row: Kiley Murphy, Matt Yates, and Nathan Stoltz. Fourth row: Colin Agnes, Hunter Miller, and Grace McCullough. Fifth row: Austin Beegle and Brock Tegtmeier. Mrs. Shelly Dailey is the adviser of the group. The role of the Tech Team is to help out in any way we are needed. Each student has a work day during their extra help period and the eighth grade members teach the seventh and sixth graders during this time. The eighth graders are a dedicated and helpful group. Some of the things we do for the school are as follows: set up microphones and monitor the sound for assemblies, video tape and create DVDs of assemblies, work the sound and light board for eighth grade promotion, assist teachers with technology problems, assist staff with computer set-up for practice standardized test, assist students with software problems, and put the day's announcements on the school-wide TV system to be shown to students in the cafeteria.

Along with our daily activities we have been fortunate to help out this year by setting-up and videotaping our school's Veteran's Day

assembly, editing the video tape of the assembly and making DVDs of the footage. We have also created a web page and a video play on Plotagon detailing what we do. The web page address is: <http://nmstechteam.weebly.com/>

We are grateful for the support of Northwestern Middle School staff and administration.



"Tech Team Members doing what they do best."



Jaliyah Manuel came to visit NMS to put on a basketball dribbling display before going to visit LeBron James before the Cavs game.

Middle School News

Academic Honor Roll

All "A" Honor Roll

8TH GRADE: Colin Agnes, Jordan Allshouse, Austin Beegle, Claire Bond, Alexander Borton, Joshua Cline, Travis Cochran, Elliot Coffman, Zaine Garver, Taylor Howman, Jordan Melegari, Karlie Mowrer, Makenzie Nowell, Mehli Rogers, Katherine Shambaugh, Brianna Teal, Brock Tegmeier, Rachel Winkler

7TH GRADE: Hannah Bauer, Jillian Beun, Eleanore Bond, Gabriel Buchholz, Zane Fast, Cierra Hershey, Elizabeth Howman, Valerie Imhoff, Katherine Linder, Morgan McCoy, Halie O'Loughlin, Will Schaad, Robert Soueid, Allison Spencer, Riley Stull, Liam Sykes, Megan Tomechko, Briana Troyan, Jacob Westover, Haley Wilson, Emma Zemancik

6th GRADE: Shayna Allshouse, Brailee Beun, Arianna Borton, Deanna Devore, Hannah Dickson, Jesse Evans, Laurissa Fulton, Avery Garver, Dominic Guidetti, Ariel Hughes, Nathaniel Jackson, Dugan McLaughlin, Sarah Miller, Emma Nicholson, Gavin Phillips, Grant Rhamy, Tori Rogers, Macie Sexten, Steven Starcher, Emery Tullis, Jacob Wakefield, Dominic Wallace, Steven Widows, Clara Zemancik

All "A" and "B" Honor Roll

8TH GRADE: Skylar Edington, James Evans, Jordyn Ference, Rebecca Hall, Phillip Howman, Savannah Hunt, Isabella Ingraham, Treyton Jester, Allison Kandel, Chase Leighty, Robert Martin, Riley Massengill, Sasha McConahay, Grace McCullough, Justin McElfresh, Kaden Mellott, Hunter Miller, Kaitlyn Praisler, Abigail Ramseyer, Cal Rhamy, Bethany Rickey, Leanna Ruegg, Brock Rush, Gabriel Sarno, Morgan Stephenson, Kenneth Strait, Lindsey Sykes, Matthew Yates
7TH GRADE: Wyatt Arthur, Samantha Barnette, Lillian Bower, Dakota Boyd, Cassidy Brown, Macey Carlson, Max Carlson, Sara Cassidy, Brandon Casto, James Cooke, Colston Cutter, Tyler Farner, Gerald Fricke, Brooke Frybarger, Mitchell Gray, Ryan Leasure, Ashton Mackey, Tanner Meininger, Dakota Rainsberger,

Amy Rempher, Hannah Salmons, Lariah Severs, Jordan Skufca, Breanna Slanczka, Desiree Smith, Betty Stevens, Hayden Stoller, Tamar Walton, Kylie Wellert, Cole Wharton, Brooklyn Woodruff
6TH GRADE: Weston Arthur, Emma Boreman, Hannah Brancheck, Jagger Brown, Alexander Ciolek, Rylee Dawson, Addison DeSanto, Grant Dever, Zoey Dudte, Alayna Duncan, Autumn Duncan, Stefanie Ecker, Masson Elkins, Emma Ewing, Shawn Favara, Kamilee Fieg, Hayley Franks, Taylor Haley, Alicia Harland, Gabe Hendricks, Cassandra Hiner, Skyler Hines, Karijean Holbrook, Kathleen Kindall, Alex Kirk, Jessica Martinez, Margaret McCullough, Kara McKay, Paige Melicant, Abigail Miller, Jackalynn Mosher, Gunnar Mullet, Jake Newcombe, Isaac Ott, Cierra Phillips, Aubree Reed, Shayna Roder, James Rowe, Alexis Sandy, Ethan Schwartz, Skylar Scott, Andrew Sims, Kaylyn Smith, Rachel Smithberger, Thomas Stawicki, Cooper Stephens, Edward Stevens, Troy Tope, Brennen Topp, Ryan Walter, Tyler Ward, Gavin Witucki, Araiya Yoder



Mrs. St. Clair incorporating some hands on learning with vocabulary words.



NMS students doing some drills with Jaliyah.

Good Luck to the Northwestern Middle School Track Team !!



MORE Middle School Happenings!



- As a reminder, we are asking students to be dropped off and picked up in the North parking lot closest to the gym and practice field. We need to keep the lane in front of the school clear for the buses to pick up and drop off the students. Thank You.
- Spring Sports schedules are available in the information rack and on www.northwesternathletics.org
- Sign Up for the latest NMS closings, delays or cancellations by registering at www.ohioalerts.org
- Last day of school for the students is May 26, 2016.

Congratulations!



**WCAL
CHAMPS!!**



Back row: Coach Matt Weygandt, Dakota Rainsberger, Logan White, Jacob Teal, Ben Nichols, Cole Wharton, Jacob Westover, Max Carlson
Front row: Zane Fast, Tyler Farner, Will Schaad, Wayne Gerrick, Braden Colter, Jimmy Cooke, Max Albright



The 8th grade Huskies defeated the Dalton Bulldogs 48-40 in the WCAL Championship game. For the season, the Huskies averaged 51 points per game, while they gave up an average of 31 points per contest.
Front row from left: Kyle Boreman, Jordan Allshouse, Zev McBane, Alex Randall, Manny Siders, Kyle Badger, Zane Garver, Jett Conley
Back row from left: Walter Stawicki, Coby Stough, Travis Cochran, JJ Cline, Treyton Jester, Kaden Mellott, Cal Rhamy, Ronnie Hamrick

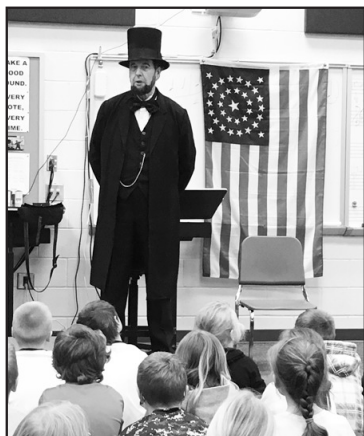
NW ELEMENTARY



**Mrs. Julie
McCumber
Northwestern
Elementary
Principal**

Presidents Day

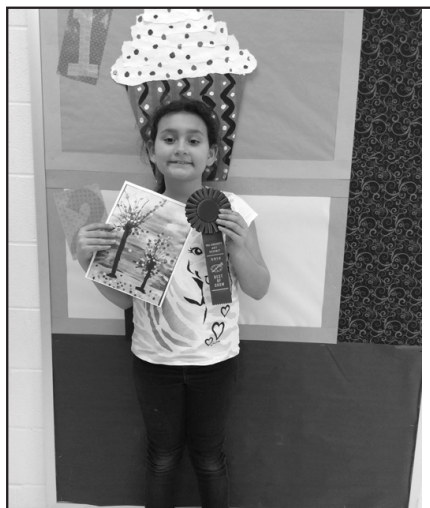
Mr. Gerald Payn, former Northwestern Science teacher, visited Northwestern Elementary second grade students as President Abraham Lincoln on February 29, 2016. Students learned about President Lincoln's life as we studied Presidents and President's Day. President Lincoln shared additional facts about his life and allowed students the opportunity to ask him questions.



The morning sun shines so bright with its light.
The owl and moon come out at night.
I watch the birds fly high in the sky.
Oh, how I love to see them go by.
When spring comes around, butterflies flutter their wings
In happiness of fresh flowers saying,
"Yes! It's spring."



Kindergartner's celebrating Dr. Seuss Day!



"BEST OF SHOW"

Artwork by Mia Rosales was selected "Best of Show" from the Rotating Children's Art Exhibit. Mia has donated her artwork and it will now be professionally matted, framed and hung (in rotation) in office buildings around Wayne County.
Congratulations, Mia!

Watershed Program w Kelly Riley from Wayne County Soil & Water Conservation District Brooklyn Buzzard, Mariah Thompson & Julia Beard learn about the enviroscape.



Northwestern Elementary School

held our **Science Fair Day** on Feb 24. Laura Kline's Chemistry & Physics students judged 230 third, fourth & fifth grade projects. We appreciate all their effort & time encouraging our elementary students.

Of the 25 fifth grade students who earned Superiors, 17 chose to participate in the Mohican District Science Day at Ashland University on **March 19**.

Pictured are: Front Row; left to right: Paige Walter, Madie Fricke, Sammy Yates

Second Row: Arianna Firebaugh, Brailee Beun, Florida Blake, Isabella Vacco, Daylie Rickard, Marina Aulger, Morgan Sexton, Brooke McNeil, Mary Wellert, Kylee Purdy, Julia Ours, David Hiner, Kendrick Meuer, & Louisa Morris.

Brailee, Morgan, Mary & Paige will be participating in State Science Day in Columbus on May 14.

Northwestern 5th & 6th graders who participated at Mohican District Science Day earned the award for The Most Superiors for an Elementary School out of 24 schools competing that day.



Northwestern Elementary

Holmes Wayne Rural
Electric Co Op Safety
Program 5th grade

Honor Roll



3rd GRADE HONOR ROLL

Blake Harmony, Sara Corn, Kayla Cutter, Gino Guidetti, Will Hamey, Noah Lee, Cole Loy, Dani McClure, McKensie McCoy, Avery Mullet, Brielle Nulph, Logan Shriver, Jule Stoller, Taylor Wurst

4th GRADE HONOR ROLL

Emma Adkison, Erica Bouffard, Quinn Fast, Alyssah Fisher, Virginia Hamers, Ellie Hanshaw, Gavin Hines, Madalyne Hunt, Sofi Linder, Tristan Miller, Zoey Oldaker, Jennie Riffle, Hunter Sciortino, Cade St. Clair, Kade Tegtmeier, Lillian Wakefield, Luke Walton, John Widdows

5th GRADE HONOR ROLL

Brett Alberts, Marina Augler, Braiden Bartholomew, Brailee Beun, Florida Blake, Addie Bodager, Aubrey Browning, Joe Buchholz, Gabe Chupp, Arianna Firebaugh, Emma Fisher, Madie Fricke, Madie Gray, Hunter Hall, Cole Hoffer, Anthony Huber, Melanie Imhoff, Caitlyn Leighty, Charleigh McMillan, Brooke McNeil, Louisa Morris, Ava O'Loughlin, Julia Ours, Gavin Phillips, Ethan Reed, Alesia Samples, Morgan Sexten, Trent Sigler, Ava Stoller, Nick Tomechko, Isabella Vacco, Jacob Wakefield, Paige Walter, Mary Wellert, C.J. Westover, Danielle Wilkes, Hanna Wilson

3rd GRADE MERIT ROLL

Jack Belding, Isaac Beun, Carter Boreman, Gabby Cubur, Morgan Ervin, Makala Favara, Richie Fortune, Braiden Franks, Bladen Friend, Nate Fulton, Mallory Gilbert, Elaine Groves, Ayden Hendricks, Danyel Hyatt, Ethan Johnson, Chloe Kasubinski, Taya Kaufman, Kelli Kearney, Ana Lucas, Mason Meininger, Josiah Moats, Nicholas Morris, Gabe Nicholson, Katherine Orosz, Emilie Ott, Emma Salem, Ben Spencer, Braydan Springer, Rylee Stafford, Allie Stoltz, Bella Stutz, Heidi Topp, Alys Troyan, Lily Tullis, Joshua Webel, Jailyann Woodruff, Roxie Zytowiecki

4th GRADE MERIT ROLL

Kaleb Badger, Brandon Barnette, Grant Bond, Kirsten Boreman, Leona Buettner, Kara Burgan, Owen Cassidy, Hayden Cline, Drake Crumley, K.P. Dickson, Jacob Farner, Owen Ferriman, Cayden Fiala, Kendra Flickinger, Samantha Fraser, Chesney Hider, Jacob Huebner, Mikalah Jones, Ethan Mausolf, Julia Norby, Gabby Ream, Troy Rock, Caydence Scale, Hattie Sciortino, Kierstin Skelly, Donovan Spratt, Easton Thomas, Jacob Ward, Keturah Weaver, Anthony Welch, Carissa Whisman, Ben Williamson, Connor Winland, Marcus Wolboldt, Natalie Wolfe, Josie Wright

5th GRADE MERIT ROLL

Della Amstutz, Ryan Blount, Carissa Brinker, Phoenix Cuthrell, Jesse Evans, Anna Gendron, Collin Good, Kole Graham, Karissa Groves, Charlie Herman, David Hiner, Alexa Hively, Landen Horst, Nate Hunt, Maddie Jester, A.J. Linscott, Lindsey Luther, Katie Maffett, Brent Mann, Kendrick Meuer, Breanna Neider, Gabriel Pelfrey, Paige Pellshaw, Sophia Pentito, Kylee Purdy, Dylan Ramsier, C.J. Reed, Daylie Rickard, Jayme Rickey, Kaleb Sadie, Jaren Sheehan, Ethan Siders, A.J. Smith, Josh Spencer, Andrew Tope, Sammy Yates



Arianna Firebaugh, Steve Asbury & Matt Morris



Ariel Smith



Hunter Hall

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CLASS REUNION

Northwestern Class of 1966 will be having their 50th high school reunion

WHEN: June 17 (gathering starts at 4 PM and banquet at 6 PM)

WHERE: Mohican Church fellowship hall (just north of school) with tours of our old high school (middle school now) and other schools

WHAT: catered meal, tours, chatting, reminiscing the past 50+ years

COST: \$15 catered meal (buffet style with 2 meats) and includes extra expenses (deadline for reservations is May 31 to Linda Kline with money included)

WHO: NW class of 1966 and spouse (If you were in the class and did not receive information about the reunion please contact Linda Kline--also check with others you know to make sure they are informed)

**For MORE INFORMATION or to
MAKE RESERVATIONS contact
Linda Kline**

(phone 330-262-6787)
email-- lrkline@aol.com
678 Catalina
Wooster, OH 44691

Northwestern Alumni & Friends

This is the year for an induction of individuals into the 'Northwestern Alumni Hall of Fame' and the 'Northwestern Community Hall of Honor'. This event will take place on June 18th 2016 in the High School Auditorium at 3:30 in the afternoon. It is free and open to the public. After the induction ceremony there will be a social time and at 6:00 there will be a catered dinner. The dinner requires a reservation and there is a form in this newsletter for that.

Those who will be inducted this year are: Hall of Fame; Linda Kline, SSgt. James Grissinger, and 1st. Lt. Walter Wizbowski. Hall of Honor; Roy Bower, Carl Miley, and Harold Weygandt. Join us, and their families and friends, as we honor these individuals.

The Association offers scholarships to those Northwestern graduates who have completed their first year of higher education. Our scholarship fund is managed by the 'Wayne County Community Foundation'. If you would like to apply or know of someone who would, the following is how to go about applying. Go to website: www.waynecountycommunityfoundation.org Click on "Grants & Scholarships" tab, then click on "Scholarships" next click "WCCF" and under Scholarship Information click "Available to Adults". The list is in alphabetical order -- look for "Northwestern Alumni and Friends Association Scholarship". The deadline for yearly applications is May 31st each year.



Charleigh McMillan



Jaren Sheehan

Welcome
Spring



Northwestern FFA Judges at Ashland

On Saturday, March 19th Northwestern FFA Chapter members traveled to Ashland for dairy foods, poultry, wildlife, general livestock, and equine.

The dairy foods judging contest requires members to identify types of cheese, identify defects in 10 milk samples, test milk for mastitis, and identify fat content in different types of fluid dairy products based on the taste. Philip Eberly, Brock Tegtmeier, Cody Tegtmeier, Rae Rempher, and Alex Borton competed on Saturday. They placed 1st overall. Individually, Tegtmeier placed 1st and Eberly placed 2nd.

The general livestock CDE teaches students to evaluate and place different livestock animals, as well as answer questions about each class. Some of the classes have blind questions, where members take notes on the class and are asked to remember things about that class of livestock once they leave the ring. Members evaluate swine, beef, sheep, and goats for breeding and meat characteristics. The team consisted of Taylor Dawson, Skylar Dawson, and Cody Morrow. The team placed 36th overall.

The equine judging contest requires members to evaluate and place horses, as well as identify and label different parts of tack. Jazon LeMaster, Shania Reed, Emily Flinn, and Kaitlyn Praisler competed in this event Saturday. They placed 7th as a team.

T.J. Cromer, Hunter Kanzeg, Austen Wood, Spencer Deming, Cody Starling, Jared Leasure, Hayden Tiliske, and Robert Stinemetz competed in the wildlife CDE. The purpose of this CDE is to stimulate interest and to promote instruction in the areas of nature interpretation, fish and wildlife management, as well as to

provide recognition for those who have demonstrated skills and competencies as a result of natural resources instruction. The team placed 2nd overall in the wildlife contest. Individually, Wood placed 5th, and Steinmetz placed 10th. The chapter would like to recognize these members for their hard work.

Northwestern FFA Judges in Miami Trace

On Saturday, March 12th, Northwestern FFA Chapter members traveled to Miami Trace to compete in the spring Career Development Events contests. The contests that members competed in were dairy cattle, dairy foods, general livestock, and equine.

The dairy cattle judging CDE requires students to select and place quality dairy cattle. Students will be challenged with pedigree evaluation, sire selection, a written test, placing classes and written class reasons. Team members for this event were Marie Clements, and Austin Beegle. The team placed 18th overall.

The dairy foods judging contest requires members to identify types of cheese, identify defects in 10 milk samples, test milk for mastitis, and identify fat content in different types of fluid dairy products based on the taste. Jaydn Berry, Emily Comer, Emily Finley, Brock Tegtmeier, Cody Tegtmeier, Rae Rempher, and Maria Chellis competed on Saturday. They placed 1st overall. Individually, Tegtmeier placed 1st, Rempher placed 2nd, Arianna Borton placed 6th, and Wood placed 9th.

The general livestock CDE teaches students to evaluate and place different livestock animals, as well as answer questions about each class. Some of the classes have blind questions, where members take notes on the class and are asked to remember things about that class of livestock once they leave the ring. Members evaluate swine, beef, sheep, and goats for breeding and meat characteristics. The team consisted of Jessica Bair, Katie Stull, Riley Stull,

Taylor Dawson, and Skylar Dawson. The team placed 16th overall.

The equine judging contest requires members to evaluate and place horses, as well as identify different parts of tack and take an equine knowledge exam. Marshall Geiger, Reiley Murphy, Jazon LeMaster, Katlyn Praisler and Emily Flinn competed in this event Saturday. They placed 1st as a team with Flinn placing 2nd and Murphy 4th individually.

Northwestern FFA Judges at Marysville

On Saturday, March 5th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter traveled to Marysville for the spring judging contests. Members participated in contests including dairy foods, general livestock, equine, dairy cattle, and wildlife judging.

The dairy foods judging contest requires members to label types of cheese, identify defects in different milk samples, test milk for mastitis, and identify different types of dairy products based on the taste. Arianna Borton, Alex Borton, Debbie Eberly, Zaine Garver, Brock Tegtmeier, and Rae Rempher competed in the dairy foods judging contest. The team placed 5th overall.

In the equine contest, Emily Flinn, Marshall Geiger, Shania Reed, and McKayla Linscott competed. The team placed 6th overall. The equine judging contest requires members to evaluate and place horses, as well as identify and label different parts of tack.

Austen Wood, Robert Stinemetz, TJ Cromer, Spencer Deming, Hunter Kanzeg, Hayden Tiliske, and Cody Starling made up the wildlife judging team. They placed 2nd overall with Austen Wood placing 2nd individually. The purpose of this CDE is to stimulate interest and to promote instruction in the areas of fish and wildlife management, as well as to provide recognition for those who have demonstrated skills and competencies as a result of natural resources instruction.

FFA Judging Contests, continued

The general livestock team was made up of Cody Morrow, Skylar Dawson, Taylor Dawson, Kyle Piscione, Jessie Bair, and Kyle Wharton. The team placed 23rd overall. The general livestock CDE teaches students to evaluate and place different livestock animals, as well as answer questions about each class. Some of the classes have blind questions, where members take notes on the class and are asked to remember things about that class of livestock once they leave the ring. Members evaluate swine, beef, sheep, and goats.

The dairy cattle team consisted of Marie Clements and David Miley. They placed 23rd as a team. The dairy cattle judging CDE requires students to select and place quality dairy cattle. Students will be challenged with pedigree evaluation, sire selection, a written test, placing classes and written class reasons.

These contests are great opportunities for members to expand their knowledge about an interested topic as well as introduce them to a potential career field. The career development events also allow members to take what they learn in the classroom and apply it to real-life situations. The judging teams will be preparing for state on April 2nd, 2016.

Northwestern FFA Competes in State Ag Sales

On Saturday, March 5th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter competed in the state Ag Sales contest held at Marysville High School. Kaci Way, Philip Eberly, Cody Tegtmeier, and Kierstyn Wood competed. Through this CDE, students have the opportunity to demonstrate skills in sales by participating in a wide range of activities oriented around the total sales process. Students complete an oral sales presentation, a written test on marketing, and a prospecting practicum. Each year, the practicum is rotated between Customer Relations, Prospecting, and Telephone Ordering.

The team placed 2nd overall out of 20 teams. Individually, Kaci Way placed 2nd, Philip Eberly placed 3rd, Kierstyn Wood placed 23rd, and Cody Tegtmeier placed 46th. The chapter would like to congratulate these members for their hard work and dedication for this CDE.



The Northwestern FFA Ag Sales Contestants were from left to right; Philip Eberly, Kaci Way, Kierstyn Wood, and Cody Tegtmeier.

Northwestern FFA holds Greenhand/Chapter Degree Ceremony

On Tuesday, March 1, 2016, the Northwestern FFA Chapter handed out more than 50 degrees to 1st and 2nd year FFA members. This night was very important to our youngest FFA members. The night kicked off with a Power-Point of all the members receiving degrees. Then, the officers performed opening ceremonies and introduced one of the speakers for the evening, Mike Guidetti. Mike is a Northwestern FFA Alumni member and the parent of current Northwestern FFA members. He spoke about the FFA and how it has changed and developed throughout the years.

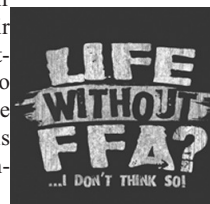


He also discussed why the FFA program is so important today. Next, the Greenhand Degree was presented to the qualified 1st year members.

The Greenhand Degree is a degree given to the 1st year FFA members that meet standards set by the Chapter, State and the National FFA Organization. On Monday, 30 members received this degree. These members were: Tyler Carlson, Maria Chellis, Lindsay Ciolek, Emily Cromer, Skylar Dawson, Spencer Deming, Peyton Edwards, Tristan Estep, Brianna Faltisco, Jacey Fulton, Spencer Garrison, Jeffrey Guidetti, Tate Hixon, Derek Hudson, Elizabeth Kanzeg, Elise Krajcik, Jared Leasure, Riley Leaver, David Leiter, McKayla Linscott, Cole Marley, Carter Melicant, Cody Morrow, Mary Rickey, Wes Schaad, Bethanie Schaefer, Joey Shaw, April Strait, Alexis Switzer, and Hayden Tiliske.

After the Greenhand Degrees were presented, the Chapter Degrees were awarded. The Chapter Degree is for 2nd year members that meet standards set by the Chapter, State and the National FFA Organization. These standards include giving a 6-minute speech, leading a class discussion, and investing 50 hours or earning \$150 in an approved Supervised-Agriculture-Experience Project. This degree is the highest degree that a chapter can award its members.

The Northwestern FFA Chapter is proud to announce that 27 members earned this degree. These members are: Jessica Bair, Lyndsey Chanay, Colton Corbett, T.J. Cromer, Taylor Dawson, Brandon Feist, Emily Finley, Dawson Flinn, Tatum Franczek, Christie Franks, Marshall Geiger, Kaitlyn Gifford, Joscelyn Hill, McCayla Holbrook, Alexis Horst, Hunter Kanzeg, David Miley, Michael Nutter, Kyle Piscione, Rae Rempher, Mykenzie Snyder, Cody Starling, Robert Stinemetz, Cody Tegtmeier, and Austen Wood. The chapter is proud to have so many dedicated members of the FFA. Congratulations to these members on their hard work to earn their degrees. The Northwestern FFA Chapter is also thankful for Mike Guidetti for sharing his experiences with members of the chapter.



NW FFA NEWS!

Northwestern FFA Competes in State Public Speaking

On Saturday, March 5th, four members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter competed in the state public speaking contest at Marysville High School. Mykenzie Snyder, daughter of Doug and Stacie Markley, Emily Cromer daughter of Tom and Grace Cromer, and Kierstyn Wood, daughter of Ken and Laura Wood competed.

Cromer competed in the freshman creed speaking contest and recited the FFA Creed. She also answered questions about different parts of the FFA Creed and the Creed's history. She placed 9th in her room of 10 other participants.

Mykenzie Snyder participated in the Beginning Prepared Speaking contest. She gave a 5-7 minute speech about "Chipotle Against Agriculture" After this, she answered questions pertaining to her topic to place 3rd in her room of ten other participants.

Wood competed in the Advanced Prepared Speaking contest. She gave a 6-8 minute speech, with her topic being "Improvast." She then answered questions on her speech topic and placed 7th in her room as well out of 10 other participants.

The Chapter would like to congratulate these members for their hard work and dedication in this career development event.



Members of the Northwestern FFA who competed in the State Public Speaking Contest were from left to right: Emily Cromer, Kierstyn Wood, and Mykenzie Snyder.

Members of the Northwestern FFA General Livestock Judging Team that competed at ATI were from left to right: Taylor Dawson, Gwen Harland, Katie Stull, Riley Stull, Jessie Bair, Brittney Harland, Kaci Way, and Cody Morrow.



Northwestern FFA Competes in Judging at ATI

On Saturday, February 27th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter competed in the General Livestock judging contest held at ATI.

The chapter had the opportunity to have two general livestock judging teams compete on Saturday. The first team consisted of Kaci Way, Katie Stull, Jessie Bair, and Kyle Piscione. This team placed 5th out of more than 75 teams with Piscione placing 8th as an individual. The second team consisted of Taylor Dawson, Cody Morrow, Gwen Harland, and Brittney Harland. This team placed 29th overall out of 75 teams. The General Livestock Career Development Event is an educational program designed as a practical method of teaching students to recognize quality production animals. The skills students learn in evaluating general livestock should make them better livestock producers and consumers by giving them practical experience in identifying and understanding characteristics that affect production and quality.

These two teams will be competing in many more contests throughout the Spring season, hoping to succeed at the state contest.

Northwestern FFA Judges at Mt. Gilead

On Saturday, February 20th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter participated in multiple judging contests at the Mt. Gilead Invitational. The career development events that members competed in were wildlife management, general livestock, dairy cattle, milk quality and products, and equine management.

The dairy cattle judging team consisted of David Miley, Austin Beegle, and Cory Leighty. The team placed 5th overall with Miley taking 2nd individually.

Phil Eberly, Debbie Eberly, Rae Rempher, Maria Chellis, and Kierstyn Wood competed in the milk quality and products judging contest. The team placed 1st overall with Philip Eberly placing 1st, Wood 8th, and Rempher 9th individually.

Ashley Dunn, Jazon LeMaster, Marshall Gieger, and Mckayla Linscott participated in equine management judging contest, and they placed 8th as a team.

In the general livestock judging contest, Katie Stull, Kaci Way, Kyle Wharton, Cody Morrow, Riley Stull, and Jessie Bair competed. The team placed 6th overall with Way placing 7th individually.

Austen Wood, Hunter Kanzeg, Cody Starling, Spencer Deming, and Hayden Tiliske competed in the wildlife management judging contest. The team placed 5th overall, with Wood being 7th individually.



Northwestern FFA milk quality and products team that competed Mt. Gilead were from left to right: Rae Rempher, Debbie Eberly, Philip Eberly, Kierstyn Wood, and Maria Chellis.

Northwestern FFA



Northwestern FFA general livestock judging team were from left to right: Kaci Way, Katie Stull, Riley Stull, Jessie Bair, Kyle Wharton, and Cody Morrow.



Northwestern FFA wildlife management team were from left to right: Hayden Tiliske, Cody Starling, Spencer Deming, Hunter Kanzeg, and Austen Wood.



Northwestern FFA dairy judging team were from left to right: Austin Beegle, David Miley, and Cory Leighty.



Northwestern FFA equine judging team were from left to right: Jazon LeMaster, Ashley Dunn, and Marshall Gieger.

Northwestern FFA Celebrates FFA Week

The Northwestern FFA Chapter recently celebrated National FFA Week February 16th-19th, 2016. The purpose of FFA Week is to inform people throughout the school and community about the great opportunities available through FFA. From its beginnings in 1928 as the Future Farmers of America, the National FFA Organization today reaches out to all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. FFA is committed to developing character and leadership skills, as well as preparing members for a lifetime of civic leadership and career success.

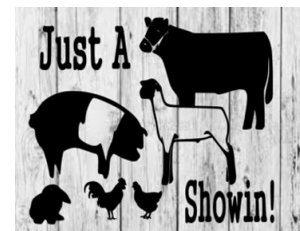
As a part of FFA Week, the Northwestern Chapter members held many special events. Tuesday's spirit day was tie dye day. Wednesday was hat and boot day. Thursday was crazy blue and gold and/or Official Dress day. The members also served pancakes, eggs, and sausage to the faculty and staff of the high school that morning to show their appreciation to them for their understanding and continuous support. Friday was dress to impress day. Also, on Friday, an assembly was held to get the entire school involved as well as the 8th grade class. At the assembly, competitions were held between grade levels. The follow-

ing contests were held: bale toss, pedal tractor race, Oreo cookie challenge, frozen t-shirt, corn shelling, penny in a haystack, milk chugging, and pie in the face.

FFA week is a fun way to get the school and community involved in the chapter's activities. It is held every year at the high school. The Northwestern FFA would like to thank everyone who participated and those who continuously support the chapter to make it as successful as it is today.



During FFA Week Northwestern FFA Officers stop for a picture with the pedal tractors used for the assembly.



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NORTHWESTERN ALUMNI & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION
Thirteenth Annual NW Reunion & Community Banquet
Sixth Biennial Alumni Hall of Fame / Community Hall of Honor
Induction Ceremony

Saturday June 18, 2016 at Northwestern High School

Induction ceremony is free & open to the public in the School Auditorium at 3:30 P.M.

Social time: 5:00 P.M. Catered Dinner 6:00 P.M. Program: 7:00 P.M.

Dinner reservations required, non-refundable, Children 5 & under-Free

Children 6 thru 11 - \$8.50, Children 12 thru Adult \$17.00

RESERVATION DEADLINE May 31, 2016; Reservations not confirmed without payment.

The 50 year class of 1966, 60 Year class of 1956 & 25 year class of 1991 will be recognized.

For a downloadable on-line printable reservation form visit:

<http://web2.northwestern-wayne.k12.oh.us>

Click on Alumni link then on reservation

For further information contact any of the following:

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Northwestern Alumni & Friends Association Dinner Reservation Form
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The Association is tax exempt. Donations of \$25.00 or more will receive a receipt.

Wayne County farmer directs donation to local FFA Chapter - Northwestern

Northwestern FFA has received a \$2,500 donation from America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund and directed by local farmer Jon and Amy Miley of Wayne County. The donation will help the organization with future endeavors that promote premier leadership, personal growth and career success. Jon and Amy Miley were asked why they selected Northwestern FFA to receive this generous donation.

"The Northwestern chapter of FFA has a known history of growing young adults and growing this community. This donation will help to continue that growth." The chapter truly appreciates this donation. For six years, America's Farmers Grow Communities has collaborated with farmers to donate over \$22 million to more than 8,000 community organizations across rural America. Winning farmers will direct donations to nonprofits to help fight rural hunger, purchase life saving fire and EMS equipment, support ag youth leadership programs, buy much needed classroom resources, and so much more.

America's Farmers Grow Communities partners with farmers to support local nonprofit causes that positively impact farming communities across rural America. Grow Communities is one program in the America's Farmers community outreach effort, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Other programs include America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders, which encourages rural youth to remain in agriculture and provides \$1,500 college scholarships to high school and college students pursuing ag-related degrees and America's Farmers Grow Rural Education, which works with farmers to nominate rural school districts to compete for \$10,000 and \$25,000 math and science grants. Visit www.AmericasFarmers.com to learn more.

About the Monsanto Fund

The Monsanto Fund, the philanthropic arm of the Monsanto Company, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening the communities where farmers and Monsanto Company employees live and work. Visit the Monsanto Fund at www.monsanto-fund.org



The Northwestern FFA Officer Team poses for a picture with the check that was received from the efforts of Jon and Amy Miley (front).

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